

Additionally, the managers' amendment included very important provisions to include those areas which were inadvertently missed when this legislation was crafted—namely, Indian tribal lands. I appreciate the willingness of the Committee on Indian Affairs to work with our Committee to create HUBZone opportunities in the states of Alaska and Hawaii, and in other Indian tribal lands.

The HUBZone section does not contain any provision addressing the interaction of the HUBZone and 8(a) minority contracting programs. I believe that the 8(a) program is an important and necessary tool to help minority small businesses receive access to government contracts. The Chairman and I agree that there is a need to enhance the participation of both 8(a) and HUBZone companies in Federal procurement. It is my intention that the Senate Committee on Small Business consider the issue of enhancing small business procurement in the next Congress.

The Senate managers' amendment also includes a provision relating to SBA's cosponsorship authority. This authority allows SBA and its programs to cosponsor events and activities with private sector entities, thus leveraging the Agency's limited resources. The managers' amendment extends the authority for three additional years. This provision also adds "information and education" to the types of assistance that can be provided to small businesses by public and private sector organizations working with the SBA. This provision was recommended by the SBA as an effective change to training programs that are jointly run by the SBA and partner organizations.

Mr. President, let me conclude by reminding my colleagues that all of our states benefit from the success and abundance of small businesses. This legislation makes their jobs a little easier. I ask my colleagues for their support of this important legislation.

REFERRAL OF S. 1840

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Committee on Indian Affairs reports S. 1840, a bill to provide for the transfer of public lands to certain California Indian tribes, it then be referred to the Energy Committee for a period not to exceed 7 calendar days. I further ask consent that if S. 1840 is not reported prior to the 7 days, the bill then be discharged from the Energy Committee and placed on the calendar.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2000

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it recess until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 3. I further ask unanimous consent that on Tuesday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then begin final remarks on the H-1B visa legislation under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. KYL. I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess for the weekly party conferences to meet from 12:30 to 2:15 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. KYL. For the information of all Senators, the Senate will begin closing remarks on the H-1B visa bill at 9:30 a.m. Following 30 minutes of debate, the Senate will proceed to vote on the bill. The Senate will then proceed to executive session with several hours of debate on judges and up to four votes could occur after 2 p.m.

RECESS UNTIL TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 3, 2000

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent the Senate stand in recess under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:32 p.m., recessed until Tuesday, October 3, 2000, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate October 2, 2000:

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

RANDOLPH J. AGLEY, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR. (NEW POSITION)

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

REGINALD EARL JONES, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2005. (REAPPOINTMENT)

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

HSIN-MING FUNG, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 3, 2006, VICE SPEIGHT JENKINS, TERM EXPIRED.

UNITED STATES PAROLE COMMISSION

EDWARD F. REILLY, JR., OF KANSAS, TO BE A COMMISSIONER OF THE UNITED STATES PAROLE COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS, VICE JOHN R. SIMPSON, TERM EXPIRED.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADVISORY BOARD

MARK A. WEINBERGER, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADVISORY BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, VICE HARLAN MATHEWS, RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 2114:

TO BE CAPTAIN

JOHN B. STETSON, 0000
CHRISTINE E. THOLEN, 0000